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Selectmen Minutes 04-09-2001

TOWN OF ARLINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 9, 2001
6:30 p.m.

Present: Mr. Lyons, Chairman, Mrs. Mahon, Vice Chairman, Mr. Greeley, Mrs. Dias, Mr. Hurd
Also Present: Mr. Farrington, Mr. Maher, Ms. Cove

Organizational Business

Ms. Cove opened the meeting calling for nominations for the position of Chairman and Vice Chairman. Mr. Greeley moved to appoint Mr. Lyons as Chairman. Mr. Hurd moved that Mrs. Mahon serve as Vice Chairman.

Mr. Greeley moved to close the nominations. SO VOTED

On the nomination of Mr. Lyons and Mrs. Mahon the Board voted unanimously in favor.
SO VOTED

The Chairman asked for a moment of silence for the late Chief Frederick Lucarelli.

FOR APPROVAL

Minutes of Meeting: March 26, 2001
Mrs. Dias moved approval. SO VOTED

APPOINTMENTS & REAPPOINTMENTS

Appointment – Board of Library Trustees
Francis R. Murphy (term to expire 5/1/04)
Mrs. Mahon moved approval. SO VOTED

Appointment – Parks and Recreation Commission
Mark W. McCabe (term to expire 3/1/04)
Mr. Hurd moved approval. SO VOTED

Appointments – Council on Aging
Dorothy Nicholas (term to expire 5/01/03)
Shirley Chapski (term to expire 5/01/03)
Mrs. Dias moved approval. SO VOTED

Reappointment – Arlington Preservation Fund
Andrew Fisher (term to expire 3/1/04)

Mrs. Dias moved approval. SO VOTED

Reappointment – Registrar of Voters

Fred Sennott (term to expire 4/04)

Mr. Hurd moved approval. SO VOTED

LICENSES & PERMITS

Request for Patriots' Day Parade Permit

John Bilafer, Treasurer

Mrs. Mahon moved approval. SO VOTED

Mrs. Mahon thanked Mr. Bilafer for taking over the organization of the parade.

For Approval: Deposit of RCN Arlington 2000 Franchise Fee Payment

Mr. Greeley moved to deposit the funds (\$35,193.64) in the technology account that was set up for the previous year's payment.
SO VOTED

Request for Awning Permit

Bombay Restaurant, 9A-9B Medford St., Chaitanya Patel, President

Mr. Greeley moved approval subject to all departmental conditions. SO VOTED

TRAFFIC RULES & ORDERS/OTHER BUSINESS

Request for Commemoration of 4/24/01 as Armenian Martyrs' Day

Ani Barsoumian

Mrs. Dias moved approval. SO VOTED

Request for Sign "Donald R. Marquis Minuteman Trailway"

Alexander McInnes

The Board congratulated Mr. McInnes on his hard work and accomplishment. Mr. McInnes is taking on this project as a part of his Eagle Scout requirement. Mr. Greeley moved favorable action and to refer the matter to the Director of Planning for design approval. SO VOTED

Representative Jim Marzilli presented the Board with a check for \$1.97 million from the Massachusetts Technology Park Corporation. The funds will be used to offset the cost of air quality improvement measures at the NESWC facility.

Warrant Article Hearings

Article 24 Town Fees and Charges

Mr. Greeley moved favorable action of the inclusion of amendments to the fees under the jurisdiction of the Building Inspector.

Article 38 Fitness Standards

Mr. Greeley moved to have the Town Manager draft home rule legislation that would allow for the consideration of a certain individual rather than adoption of the fitness standards. The Chairman indicated that he would support this measure only if the Directors of Police and Fire were in agreement. If they are not, the Board will revert to its previous vote to adopt the fitness standards.

On Mr. Greeley motion: 4-1 (Mrs. Dias voted in the negative)

Article 77 Land Acquisition/Symmes Hospital

The Chairman indicated that the Board should discuss this matter in executive session. Mr. Hurd moved that the Board will report to Town Meeting on this article. Mr. Greeley moved to amend Mr. Hurd's motion to include requesting that the Symmes 21 Committee meet to discuss possible next steps now that the property will most likely be under the control of the Town. SO VOTED

Article 81 Sale of Town Land/Peabody Road

The Board, the proponents of the article and area neighbors discussed the matter. Mrs. Dias moved no action. SO VOTED

For Approval: Selectmen's Meeting Schedule for remainder of 2001

Mr. Greeley requested that the matter appear on the next agenda.

Correspondence Received

Alexander Salipante Memorializing of the late Ron Nigro Be Rec'd

Ronald Rella The American Kennel Club Awards for Canine Excellence Be Rec'd
The American Kennel
Club

Peter Bowman EdLink Awards program Be Rec'd
Verizon Communications

Timothy Murnane License Fee Be Rec'd
AT&T Broadband

Joseph Chessey Preliminary notification of estimated amounts to be Be Rec'd
DOR received by our municipality

John Atwood Town Meeting Article 79 (acquisition of 821 Mass. Ave. Be Rec'd
4131 South 36 St. "Atwood House")
Arlington, VA

Town Day Committee Policy for Town Day 2001 Be Rec'd

Angelo Bergantino Application of Arlington Senior Assoc. for CDBG grant Be Rec'd
President

Mrs. Mahon moved receipt of correspondence. SO VOTED

New Business:

The Chairman invited the Board to be present for the State of the Town Address at 7:00 p.m. on the first night of Town Meeting Monday, April 23, 2001.

Mr. Greeley commented on the results of the March 31st election. He thanked the voters for their support of the debt exclusion.

Mrs. Mahon requested that the DPW notify residents as much as possible about street sweeping dates. She also commented on how unhappy many residents are with the current service provided by BFI.

Mrs. Dias commented on the Truck Study information provided by Metropolitan Area Planning Council.

Mr. Hurd commented on the recent election and also informed the Board that he would be interviewing candidates for appointment to the Transportation Advisory Committee. He asked that the Charge and the Appointments appear on the next agenda.

The Chairman suggested and the Board unanimously agreed that Mr. Hurd and Mr. Greeley serve with the Town Manager as the

subcommittee to review prospective applicants for the position of Director of Personnel to submit a final recommendation to the Board.

Executive Session

Mr. Lyons moved to convene in executive session for the purpose of considering the purchase, exchange, taking, lease or value of real property and that the Board reconvene in open session for the sole purpose of adjournment.

Mr. Lyons: yes

Mrs. Mahon: yes

Mrs. Greeley: yes

Mrs. Dias: yes

Mr. Hurd: yes

The Board returned to open session at 8:02 p.m.

Mr. Greeley moved to recess to join Town Meeting and the Board adjourn in conjunction with the adjournment of the Town Meeting session that evening. SO VOTED

A true record.

Attest:

Caryn E. Cove
Board Administrator